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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits of this application, please amend this application as follows and consider the included remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows. Marked-up versions of the amended paragraphs are attached.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 20.

Please delete the paragraph beginning on page 8, line 7.

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In the paragraph beginning on page 11, line 20:

FIG. 2 is a sectional view taken in an axial direction, showing the periphery of the rack shaft coaxial type brushless motor in the first embodiment. The housing, i.e., the rack housing 8 is fixed to an unillustrated car body through a bracket (not shown). The rack shaft 22 is inserted through within the rack housing 8 and connected at its two side ends to tie rods 9 (FIG. 1), 10. The tie rods 9, 10 are connected to an unillustrated steering mechanism.

In the paragraph beginning on page 12, line 1:

A stator 23b taking a shape of circular tube is fixed within the rack housing 8, and a coil 23a constructed of a plurality of segments wound on a part of the stator 23b, is also provided therein. A rotor 23c taking a shape of long and thin circular tube is so provided as to insert into

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